

REMARKS

After entry of the present amendments, claims 7-30 remain in the application, with claim 7 in independent form. By the present amendment, claims 7-9 and 11-26 have been amended. Claim 7 has been amended as set forth below and the dependent claims have been amended to ensure consistent use of terminology and proper form. Claims 1-6 and 10 are cancelled. Claims 27-30 have been added. Support for the claims can be found in paragraphs [0019]-[0021] on pages 6-8. As such, no new matter has been added.

Interview Summary

On November 16, 2006, the Applicants' attorney conducted a telephonic interview with the Examiner wherein the general scope of the independent claim was discussed. More specifically, the differences between the independent claim of the present application were discussed in conjunction with the Eo and Rosevear references. The Applicants suggested that the primary difference between the clock in the Rosevear reference and in the present application is that the twilight displayed on the clock face in the present application is fixed for a period of time. The Examiner agreed that this feature was not anticipated by the Rosevear reference.

Rejections Under 35 U.S.C. §103(a)

Claims 1 and 7 stand rejected under 35 USC 103(a) as being unpatentable over Eo et al. in view of Rosevear and Parker.

In response to the Examiner's rejections, claim 1 has been cancelled and claim 7 has been amended. Specifically, claim 7 has been amended to require that the twilight section displayed on the clock face is fixed and then is repositioned on the clock face once the current time is after the ending of twilight. As stated in the Interview Summary above, the Examiner agrees that fixing the twilight section on the clock face is not anticipated by the Rosevear reference.

Claim 7 as amended includes limitations that are not found in nor made obvious in view of the prior art, including Rosevear. As such, the Applicants submit that all rejections are overcome and claim 7, as well as the claims that depend therefrom, are now in condition for allowance, which allowance is presently requested.

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Applicants respectfully submit that the claims as amended are now in condition for allowance and respectfully requests such allowance. The commissioner is authorized to charge the Deposit Account No. 08-2789, in the name of Howard & Howard Attorneys, P.C., for any fees or credit the account for any overpayments.

Respectfully submitted,

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